April 28, 2008

To: Parks & Recreation Commission

From: Interim Co-Director Parks & Recreation, George Brunson

Subject: Commission Appointments to the Satellite Picnic Area Subcommittee

Staff is recommending the creation of an Ad-Hoc Subcommittee to evaluate the current first-come first-serve policy in regards to use of the existing picnic areas within the City of Belmont. Currently, the Large Group Picnic Area (Attachment A) is the only picnic area available for reservations in the City. The Subcommittee will review the picnic area reservation policies and fee structures from neighboring cities to identify the benefits of permitting reservations, and the potential revenue generating opportunities. If the Subcommittee determines that providing reservation opportunities for the satellite picnic areas would better serve the community, the Subcommittee will identify which locations are best suited for this purpose. The Subcommittee will then assist staff on a recommendation to the Commission.

At this time, staff is requesting that the Commission appoint two or three members to serve on the Subcommittee.

> "Our strong sense of community and enjoyment of the town's assets and activities deepen as we become better informed and connected".

It is anticipated that the Subcommittee will meet two or three times with staff and develop the recommendation for presentation to the Commission.